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In re Application of:

DE MEUTER et al.

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For:

SUGAR-FREE HARD-COATING PREPARED FROM LIQUID ... AND SORBITOL

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small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

DUE DATE: November 27, 2003

Petition For Extension Of Time

- for a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee of \$950.00 is enclosed.
- petition for an extension of time is NOT necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1135 for the appropriate petition fee.
- No additional claim fee is required.

□ Other:

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

						SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE
TOTAL		29	Minus	27	2	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$36.00
INDEPENDENT		4	Minus	4	0	x 40=	\$	x 86=	\$0.00
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM					+ 135=	\$	+ 290=	\$
						TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$36.00

- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1135 in the amount of \$36.00, under Order No. 7393/71920. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- □ A check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
 - Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted.

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